

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-2 (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) In a server, a method for initiating a group call in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;
initiating the group call based on the received member list;
announcing the group call to each member in the member list;
receiving acknowledgement from a member who wishes to participate in the group call; and
forwarding media to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, further including triggering the member to re-establish its traffic channel.

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5. (Original) The method of claim 4, further including buffering media for transmission to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

6. (Currently Amended) In a server, a method for initiating a group call in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;
initiating the group call based on the received member list; and
announcing the group call to each member in the member list,
wherein said announcing includes transmitting a message on a forward common channel of a wireless network.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.

9. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message in short data burst (SDB) form.

Claims 10-11 (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) In a server, a computer-readable medium embodying a method for initiating a group call in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;
initiating the group call based on the received member list;
announcing the group call to each member in the member list,
receiving acknowledgement from a member who wishes to participate in the group call; and

forwarding media to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

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13. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 12, the method further including buffering media for transmission to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

14 (Currently Amended) In a server, a computer-readable medium embodying a method for initiating a group call in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;
initiating the group call based on the received member list; and
announcing the group call to each member in the member list,
wherein said announcing includes transmitting a message on a forward common channel of a wireless network.

15. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 14, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.

16. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 14, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.

17. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 14, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message in short data burst (SDB) form.

Claims 18-19 (Cancelled)

20 (Currently Amended) A server for initiating a group call in a group communication network, comprising:

means for receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;

means for initiating the group call based on the received member list;

means for announcing the group call to each member in the member list;

means for receiving acknowledgement from a member who wishes to participate in the group call; and

means for forwarding media to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

21. (Original) The server of claim 20, further including means for triggering the member to re-establish its traffic channel.

22. (Original) The server of claim 21, further including means for buffering media for transmission to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

23. (Currently Amended) A server for initiating a group call in a group communication network, comprising:

means for receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;

means for initiating the group call based on the received member list; and

means for announcing the group call to each member in the member list,

wherein said means for announcing includes means for transmitting a message on a forward common channel of a wireless network.

24. (Original) The server of claim 23, wherein said means for announcing includes means for transmitting the message on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.

25. (Original) The server of claim 23, wherein said means for announcing includes means for transmitting the message on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.

26. (Original) The server of claim 23, wherein said means for announcing includes means for transmitting the message in short data burst (SDB) form.

Claims 27-28 (Cancelled)

29. (Currently Amended) A server for initiating a call in a group communication network, comprising:

a receiver;

a transmitter; and

a processor communicatively coupled to the receiver and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:

receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list;

initiating the group call based on the received member list;

receiving acknowledgement from a member who wishes to participate in the group call; and

forwarding media to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

30. (Original) The server of claim 29, the processor further being capable of triggering the member to re-establish its traffic channel.

31. (Original) The server of claim 30, the processor further being capable of buffering media for transmission to the member after its traffic channel is re-established.

32. (Currently Amended) A server for initiating a call in a group communication network, comprising:

a receiver;

a transmitter; and

a processor communicatively coupled to the receiver and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:

receiving a request for initiating a group call based on a member list; and

initiating the group call based on the received member list,

wherein said announcing includes transmitting a message on a forward common channel of a wireless network.

33. (Original) The server of claim 32, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.

34. (Original) The server of claim 32, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.

35. (Original) The server of claim 32, wherein said announcing includes transmitting the message in short data burst (SDB) form.

36. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 12, further including triggering the member to re-establish its traffic channel.